IP-540-05, Rev 1 Date: 05/18/12



## **Environmental Management Consolidated Business Center (EMCBC)**

**Subject: Execution and Distribution of Award Documents** 

Implementing Procedure

APPROVED: (Signature on File)

**EMCBC** Director

ISSUED BY: OFFICE OF CONTRACTS

#### 1.0 PURPOSE

To provide guidance to the Office of Contracting (OOC) staff regarding the execution and distribution of simplified purchase orders, contracts, financial assistance, and interagency agreement award documents

## 2.0 SCOPE

The scope of this procedure is to ensure that all OOC staff understands their role in the execution and distribution of simplified purchase orders, contracts, financial assistance, and interagency agreement award documents

#### 3.0 APPLICABILITY

All OOC personnel shall comply with this procedure.

#### 4.0 <u>REQUIREMENTS</u>

- 4.1 FAR 4.1, Contract Execution
- 4.2 FAR 4.2, Contract Distribution

## 5.0 <u>DEFINITIONS – NOT APPLICABLE</u>

#### 6.0 <u>RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

Contract Specialist (CS)/Contracting Officer (CO):

The CS/CO is responsible for compliance with all aspects of this procedure.

#### 7.0 GENERAL INFORMATION – NOT APPLICABLE

#### 8.0 PROCEDURE

### 8.1 Award Document Execution Procedure

### 8.1.1 Contracts/Modifications

#### 8.1.1.1 Bilateral Documents

- 8.1.1.1.1 After appropriate reviews have been conducted, three copies of the final contract or award document shall be transmitted to the contractor for signature with a cover letter (See Attachment C, IP-540-05-F3, "Transmittal Letter for Contractor Signature") requesting signature and return of two fully executed copies.
- 8.1.1.1.2 After two signed copies of the contract document are received from the contractor, obtain the signature of the CO and return one fully executed copy to the Contractor.

In urgent situations, it may be necessary for the Government to sign the contract document first. In such cases, the Team Leader approval should be obtained, and the transmittal letter should be modified to indicate that the contract document will become binding upon execution by the Contractor. The contract document should be sent CERTIFIED - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED. The transmittal letter should request return of one executed document, and, if applicable, should contain a copy of the CO's Representative (COR) designation letter.

8.1.1.1.3 The second fully executed contract or award document becomes the Official Contract File Copy, and should be copied and distributed in accordance with the procedure outlined in 9.0, below.

#### 8.1.1.2 Unilateral Documents

8.1.1.2.1 After any necessary reviews, obtain the signature of the CO on two copies of the documents.

8.1.1.2.2 Stamp each copy "ORIGINAL". Forward one copy to the Contractor with an appropriate transmittal letter (See Attachment D, IP-540-05-F4, "Document Transmittal Letter"). The second document should be distributed in accordance with the procedure outlined in 9.0, below.

#### 8.1.2 Financial Assistance Awards

- 8.1.2.1 After appropriate reviews have been conducted, obtain the signature of the CO on two copies.
- 8.1.2.2 Transmit two copies to the Grantee, requesting signature and the return of one signed copy.
- 8.1.2.3 The fully executed copy returned by the Recipient becomes the Official File Copy. Copy and distribute in accordance with the procedure outlined in 9.0, below.

## 8.1.3 <u>Interagency Agreements</u>

- 8.1.3.1 After appropriate reviews have been conducted, obtain the signature of the CO on two copies of the award document. Stamp each copy "ORIGINAL".
- 8.1.3.2 Transmit the two copies to the cognizant Federal Agency for signature with an appropriate transmittal letter requesting signature and return of one signed copy.
- 8.1.3.3 The fully executed copy returned by the cognizant Federal Agency becomes the Official File Copy, and should be copied and distributed in accordance with the procedure outlined in 9.0, below.

#### 8.2 Award Document Distribution Procedure

#### 8.2.1 Distribution of the Award Document

The CS/CO shall prepare a formal cover letter (See Attachment D, IP-540-05-F4, "Document Transmittal Letter") to contractors, grantees, and other Federal agencies and include it with the award document. The cognizant Small Business Administration (SBA) office shall be provided a copy of any awards, including contract modifications, involving 8(a) firms.

#### 8.2.2 Distribution Record

- 8.2.2.1 The CS shall complete a Distribution Record (Attachment A, IP-540-05-F1, "Distribution Record Contracts, Financial Assistance, Interagency Agreements"). Distribution shall be made, either by the CS or the Procurement Technician, in accordance with the Distribution Record, including any special distribution instructions annotated by the CS. The Distribution Record shall be made a part of the contract file.
- 8.2.2.2 For simplified acquisitions, the Purchasing Agent shall complete a "Purchase Order Distribution" or "Modification Distribution" form (Attachment B, IP-540-05-F2, "Purchase Order/Modification Distribution"), and attach any and all purchase order documents for copying and distribution.

#### 8.2.3 Time Standards

Distribution of award documents, including modifications, is to be made within one (1) workday after execution by the CO. If the contractor has signed the contract document after the CO, distribution is to be made within one (1) workday after receipt of the executed document from the contractor.

#### 9.0 RECORDS MAINTENANCE

- 9.1 Records generated as a result of implementing the document are identified as follows:
  - 9.1.1 IP-540-05-F1, "Distribution Record Contracts, Financial Assistance, Interagency Agreements"
  - 9.1.2 IP-540-05-F2, "Purchase Order/Modification Distribution"

#### 10.0 FORMS USED

- 10.1 Forms used shall be the latest revision unless otherwise stated.
  - 10.1.1 IP-540-05-F1, "Distribution Record Contracts, Financial Assistance, Interagency Agreements"
  - 10.1.2 IP-540-05-F2, "Purchase Order/Modification Distribution"

# 11.0 ATTACHMENTS

- 11.1 Attachment A IP-540-05-F1, "Distribution Record Contracts, Financial Assistance, Interagency Agreements"
- 11.2 Attachment B IP-540-05-F2, "Purchase Order/Modification Distribution"
- 11.3 Attachment C Sample, "Transmittal Letter for Contractor Signature"
- 11.4 Attachment D Sample, "Document Transmittal Letter"

<u>DISTRIBUTION RECORD</u>
Mark appropriate blocks and submit to Contract Support Team. (Note: Change this if decision is to have procurement tech do distribution.)

Ontract or Number:	[ ] Contract Modification  Mod. No.:		
	[ ] Distribution, Non-M&O:	Original	Duplicate
	[ ] Office of Contracting (OOC) File	Original 1	Duplicate
		1 20m	1
	[ ] Office of Financial Management (OFM) Planning To	caiii	1
	[ ] OFM Budget Team		1
	[ ] OFM Finance Team [ ] Project Manager/Initiator (PR Item 12)		1
	[ ] Project Manager/Initiator (PR Item 12)		1
	[ ] Program Reviewing Official (PR Item 35)		1
	[ ] Contracting Officer's Representative (COR)	Т	1
	[ ] Contractor Human Resource Management (CHRM)	Team	1
	[ ] Office of Logistics Management	-4-\	1
	[ ] Small Business Administration (SBA) (for 8a contra		1
	[ ] Small Business Program Manager (SBPM) (if incorp	porates subcontracting	•
	Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) Auditor	M/D: C	1
	(A copy of the Price Negotiation Memorandum (PN)		
	Memorandum (PCM) IF Field Pricing Assistance ha		
	Reference Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 15	.406-3(b))	4
	[ ] Other		1
	[ ] Award Synopsis (\$25,000 and above)	20)	
	[ ] Entered into Federal Procurement Data System (FPI	OS)	
	[ ] Distribution, M&O:		
	[ ] OOC File		1
	[ ] OFM Planning Team		1
	[ ] OFM Budget Team		1
	[ ] OFM Finance Team		1
	[ ] Project Manager/Initiator (PR Item 12)		1
	[ ] Program Reviewing Official (PR Item 35)		1
	[ ] Contracting Officer's Representative (COR)		1
	[ ] Contractor Human Resources Management Team		1
	[ ] Office of Logistics Management		1
	[ ] SBPM (if contains subcontracting plan)		1
	[ ] Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) Auditor		1
	(A copy of the Price Negotiation Memorandum (PN)	M/Price Competition	
	Memorandum (PCM) IF Field Pricing Assistance ha		
	Reference Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 15	.406-3(b))	
	[ ]Other		1
	[ ] Award Synopsis (\$25,000 and above)		
	[ ] Entered into Federal Procurement Data System (FPI	OS)	

[ ] Grant, [ ] Cooperative Agreement, or [ ] Intera Number: Mod./Amdt. No.:	gency Agreement	
[ ] Distribution:	Original 1 tem 12)	Duplicate  1 1 1 2 1
REQUEST SUBMITTED BY:	Date:	
DISTRIBUTION MADE BY:	Date:	

# PURCHASE ORDER DISTRIBUTION

OOC (for P.O. File)	1 Original
Contractor	1 Original
Finance	1 Duplicate Original
Originator	1 Duplicate Original
Budget	1 Duplicate Original
Oak Ridge Financial Services Division	1 Duplicate Original
Personal Property (Over \$200.00)	1 Duplicate Original
Other (i.e. SBA)	1 Duplicate Original
Distribution Date:	

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# MODIFICATION DISTRIBUTION

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OOC Division (for P.O. File			1 O	riginal
Contractor			1 O	riginal
Finance			1 D	uplicate Original
Originator			1 D	Ouplicate Original
Budget			1 D	uplicate Original
Oak Ridge F	Financial Services	Division	1 D	uplicate Original
Other			1 D	uplicate Original
Distribution Date:				

## SAMPLE LETTER

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# **Department of Energy**



Environmental Management Consolidated Business Center 250 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 500 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (513) 246-0500

**Contractor's Name and Address** 

EMCBC-

Dear **XXXXXXXX**:

## **Contract No. & Name of Program**

Enclosed for your signature are two Government-executed originals of (**include Contract #/Modification #/Grant #).** The extra copy is furnished for your information and may be retained by you.

It is requested that you return one fully executed original to (**Contract Specialist Name, mailing address/email address**) as soon as possible, but no later than seven (7) days after the date of this letter. When the document has been signed by the Contracting Officer, you will be forwarded an official copy of the contractual document.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact (Contract Specialist's Name) at (513) 246-XXXX.

Sincerely,

(Name of Contracting Officer)
Contracting Officer

Enclosure: As Stated

cc w/enclosure: Jack Craig, EMCBC Ralph Holland, EMCBC

## SAMPLE LETTER

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# **Department of Energy**



Environmental Management Consolidated Business Center 250 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 500 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (513) 246-0500

**Contractor's Name and Address** 

EMCBC-

Dear XXXXXXXX:

**Contract No. & Name of Program** 

Enclosed please find a copy of the fully executed (include Contract #/Modification #/Grant #).

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact (**Contract Specialist's Name**) at (513) 246-**XXXX**.

Sincerely,

(Name of Contracting Officer) Contracting Officer

Enclosure: As Stated

cc w/enclosure: Jack Craig, EMCBC Ralph Holland, EMCBC

# **EMCBC RECORD OF REVISION**

# <u>DOCUMENT</u> - Execution and Distribution of Award Documents

If there are changes to the controlled document, the revision number increases by one. Indicate changes by one of the following:

- l Placing a vertical black line in the margin adjacent to sentence or paragraph that was revised.
- l Placing the words GENERAL REVISION at the beginning of the text.

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